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In re Application of )  
Ullrich Thiedig et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3724  
Application No. 09/931,606 ) Examiner: Boyer D. Ashley  
Filed: 08/16/2001 )  
For: *Method and Device for Separating* )  
*Disc-Shaped Bodies from an Original Body* ) Peoria, IL 61602-1241  
Attorney Docket No.: 64251-030 ) March 7, 2004

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**PETITION FOR CLAIM FOR FOREIGN PRIORITY UNDER 37 CFR §1.55(c)**

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR §1.55(c) for acceptance of the delayed claim for priority under 35 USC §119(a) - (d). The claim for foreign priority has been filed by preliminary amendment filed September 30, 2002 and also an Application Data sheet filed herewith.

The delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(1) of section 1.55 and the date the claim was filed has been unintentional. Applicant points out that in response to a notice under 37 CFR 1.251, wherein the USPTO requested reconstruction of the file due to its loss at the USPTO, proper claims to priority based on the German application of 16 February 1999 (199 06 021.5) was made on September 30, 2002.

Applicant respectfully petitions for leave to claim priority to August 16, 1999.

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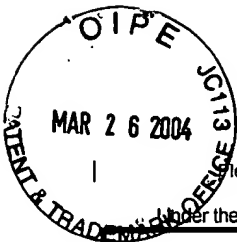
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